

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 27 to 30, 33 to 36 and 39 to 51 and objected to claim 49. The Examiner also allowed claims 29, 30, 39-42 and 50.

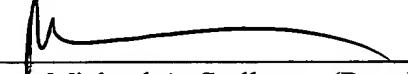
In response, Applicants have cancelled claim 49 and all of the rejected claims. Only the allowed claims remain. Although applicants disagree with the conclusions of the Examiner, future efforts to obtain suitable patent protection will now be focused on the claim set that was not selected in response to the initial restriction requirement.

It is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance and early action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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